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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

MacArthur's troops advanced on the Filipinos at 6 A. M. yesterday, and met but slight resistance, the rebels falling back towards Malolos, and burning everything behind them. —— American and British cruisers Porpoise and Philadelphia bombarded villages of Mataafa's tribemen in Samoa, who refused to disperse when ordered. —— W. K. Vanderbilt's wedding present to his son, Wm. K., Jr., amounts to ten million dollars. —— Secretary Alger reports a favorable condition of affairs in Cuba. ——Mississippi river steamer Rowena Lee reported sunk at Tyler, Mo.; only a few passengers escaped. —— Fire in Mobile, Ala., caused losses aggregating over $90,000. —— Trinity College won the ball game played with LaFayette College at Durham. —— Gen. Flagler died at Old Point, Va. —— The auxiliary cruiser Wasp, manned by Florida naval reserves, left Charleston for Fernandina.—N. Y. markets: Money on call firm at 3½@7 per cent., the last loan being at 3½ per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 6 5-16c; flour held higher on spring patents; wheat—spot strong, No. 2 red 84½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 43⅞@44⅞c; rosin steady, strained common to good $1.37½c; spirits turpentine dull at 44½@45c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 29.

Temperature: 8 A. M., 40 deg.; 8 P. M., 48 deg.; maximum, 53 deg.; minimum, 40 deg.; mean, 46 deg.

Rainfall for the day, .47; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .99.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 17.8 feet and rising.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—For North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness, probably rain at night; warmer; brisk southeasterly winds.

Port Almanac---March 30.

Sun Rises	5.50 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.18 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 28 M.
High Water at Southport	9.36 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	1.06 P. M.

A Pekin dispatch says Li Hung Chang has the ipnings again and will soon return to power. Li is a hard old rooster to down and keep down.

Williams College, in Massachusetts, is running in a lucky groove. It has in the past seven years received donations of $3,000,000 in money.

Mr. Mafi, a scissors grinder of San Antonio, Tex., has retired from the business. Reason—his wife has fallen heir to $250,000 left by an old uncle in Monterey, Mexico.

A Chicago woman wants a divorce because she hasn't seen her husband but once in twenty years. If she had seen him oftener she might have wanted a divorce several years ago.

There is a railroad now in operation Skaguay, on the coast, to the summit of White Pass, in the Klondike country, an elevation of 3,000 feet, which will be extended to Dawson City.

The Yellow river in China has been on the rampage again and the result is such devastation of lands and crops that over 2,000,000 of people in the Chee Foo province are in a starving condition.

And now Denmark wants a chunk of China. Somoa hasn't shown a hankering for any of it yet, but she'll probably be coming along pretty soon, after she gets her little domestic unpleasantness settled.

The peculations of the members of the Kansas Legislature were checked this year by employing detectives when the session closed to spot those who stole typewriters, and other movable things and make them disgorge.

The U. S. pension rolls now carry 200,000 widows. A good many of these are widows who came in under the supplemental proceedings, so to speak, and bear their anticipated widowhood with becoming resignation.

John M. Young, a gentleman who was born in Ireland, but when young became a citizen of Kentucky, celebrated his 106th birthday a few days ago, and is still Young. He cast his first vote for James K. Polk, and has been poking in Democratic votes right along ever since.

In 1897 the commerce of New York city was $3,153,000 less than it was in 1896, and in 1898 the decline was $39,250,000. The New York papers attribute this to what they call railroad discrimination, but the fact is it is due to the divergence of much of the business that went to New York to Southern ports. And there will be more of it.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Justice McGowan disposed of several cases for disorderly conduct yesterday and a number of civil matters in which small amounts were involved.

— Miss Mary Jane Hart and Mr. Wm. Baldwin, both of Wilmington, were married last night in Southside Baptist Church, Rev. F. H. Farrington officiating.

— The Wilmington Division Naval Reserves are contemplating a short cruise on their converted cruiser, the *Hornet*, some time during April. However, no date is yet announced.

— Only two unimportant cases for disorderly conduct were tried by Mayor Waddell at yesterday's session of the Police Court. Judgment was suspended in each upon payment of costs.

— About twenty-five applicants for positions as relief station agents with the A. C. L., came to the city yesterday from points along the system and will be examined by the proper A. C. L. officials here.

— During the wind and rain storm Tuesday night, a part of the ornamental wood work on the steeple of St. Paul's Pro Cathedral was blown off. No damage of any great consequence was, however, caused.

— National Bank Examiner Walter R. Henry expects to complete his work in this city to-day. He examined the Murchison National Bank Tuesday, the National Bank of Wilmington yesterday and will examine the Atlantic National Bank to-day.

— Wm. Halstead, alias "Funk," colored, was committed to jail yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Flynn for failure to pay a fine of two dollars and costs, imposed by Justice Clowe yesterday morning in a case of disorderly conduct and nuisance.

— The schooner *William T. Parker*, Capt. Lynch, which caught fire while a short way out to sea on her trip to New York about a month ago with a cargo of lumber from the Hilton Lumber Co., will proceed to her destination this morning, having been reloaded and temporary repairs made.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Banks—Notice.
S. W. Sanders—Lard.
W. B. Cooper—Reduction in snuff.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Howell's Book Store—Linen paper.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— J. J. Crosswell, of the Southern Express Co, headquarters, in Fayetteville, is in the city.

— Miss Lizzie McMillan is spending several days in the city, the guest of her brother, Mr. W. D. McMillan, Jr., on Front street.

— Mr. D. J. Justice, master mechanic at the A. C. L. shops in Florence, was in the city yesterday, returning from an official visit up the A. and Y. road.

— Mr. Newton L. Landon and wife and daughter, who have been spending the Winter at Thomasville, Ga., are in the city en route to their home at Camden, N. J. They expect to spend several days in the city.

— Mr. J. H. Westbrook, of Rocky Point, was a visitor to the city yesterday. He was down making arrangements for the handling of his berry crop, which he says will not be well under way before about April 20th.

— Mr. David Barnhisel, representing the Champion Oil Burner Co., Cleveland, Ohio, is in the city in the interest of a new heating apparatus and has opened an office in the Wessell block near Front street market house.

— Mr. J. B. Farrar, travelling salesman for Messrs. H. A. Tucker & Bro., is in the city on a visit to his family. His son, Master Geo. Farrar, who was accidentally shot several months ago, is improving very fast but is unable to be up yet.

BATTERY C, SIXTH ARTILLERY.

Will Leave Fort Caswell for the Pacific Coast Early Next Week.

Capt. Clarence Deems, of Battery C, Sixth artillery, under orders to go to Manila was in the city yesterday afternoon and told a STAR reporter that his battery will very probably leave Fort Caswell for the Pacific coast on Monday or Tuesday of next week, certainly not later than Wednesday. Capt. Deems came up from Fort Caswell yesterday afternoon and left on the seven o'clock northbound train for Washington where he has been summoned as a witness in an investigation by court martial. He fears that he will not be able to return to the city before his battery receives orders to start across the continent.

A Boon to Cyclists.

Mr. J. E. Platt has obtained a patent for an ingenious slot machine which will doubtless prove a boon to bicyclist.

It is a nickel in the slot bicycle pump intended to be placed at intervals along bicycle paths. The rider drops in his nickle which unlocks a stationary case in which are made fast, so as to be convenient for use, a large pump and rubber tubes for inflating pneumatic tires. Mr. Platt will place one of these machines at the second toll house on the Shell road. He has one on exhibition at his shop on Front street.

CAPT. HARPER'S NEW STEAMER ARRIVES.

Manila Takes Place of Steamer Wilmington While Latter Undergoes Repairs for Summer Excursion Season.

This morning at 9.45 o'clock Capt. Harper's new steamer, the *Manila*, will leave Market street dock for Southport, taking the *Wilmington's* regular schedule, the latter having yesterday afternoon gone upon the marine railway at Skinner's shipyard for repairs and renevation preparatory for the Summer resort season.

The *Manila* arrived in port from Peekskill, New York, early yesterday morning. Capt. Atkins, who piloted her down the coast, reports a very pleasant voyage and pronounces the *Manila* one of the most staunch boats that ever buffeted the breakers, behaving herself beautifully, as he expressed it, "a veritable duck on the water."

The officers who brought the boat to Wilmington were Capt. Atkins, pilot; E. A. Warren, captain; P. F. Platt, chief engineer, and Jos. Peopers, assistant engineer. Peter Jorgenson, former first mate of the *Wilmington*, takes charge of the *Manila* as captain and W. Price, who arrived here from New York a few days ago, will be engineer. It will be of interest to note in this connection that Mr. Price is the son of Engineer Price of the *Cinthia*.

It is expected that the *Wilmington* will be in Skinner's shipyard for repairs for at least two weeks. And as soon as she resumes her run the *Manila* will enter upon her work of carrying supplies from this port to Fort Caswell for the Government.

1899 BASE BALL PROSPECTS.

The Boys Preparing to Sign As A. C. L. or O. A. N. Players.

The boys are preparing for Wilmington's 1899 base ball season with due diligence. Regular practices by those contemplating signing as players on the A. C. L. and O. A. N. teams will begin next Monday night. Many of them are already spending their afternoons at Hilton park and other suitable places training for the diamond. Manager Sinclair, it will be remembered, wrote the Baltimore, New York and Brooklyn teams inviting them to stop over in Wilmington for games while on their Southern tour. Yesterday he received a letter from the manager of the Baltimore team regretting that it will be impossible for his team to accept the invitation for the reason that they will make no stops on their return trip.

Whether any of the league teams visit Wilmington or not, says Mr. Sinclair, there is abundant prospect for a series of interesting games on the local diamond.

Experience With a Crazy Woman.

Mary Worth, the insane colored woman who has been giving the jail authorities no end of trouble since her incarceration, was taken to the Goldsboro colored asylum yesterday morning by Deputy Sheriff King. She fought violently on being taken from the jail to the train and Deputies King and Oscar Millis had all they could do to keep her from doing injury to them. She, however, became pacified on the train but Mr. King, who returned last night, said that she gave him a lively scrimmage when he attempted to take her from the train at Goldsboro. Effie Graham, another insane colored woman from New Hanover county, had to be brought back by Mr. King to make room for the Worth woman, the hospital already being crowded with colored insane.

Weather in April.

Data, compiled at the Weather Bureau station, Wilmington, covering a period of 28 years, shows the mean temperature, for April, 61 degrees; the warmest April was the month of 1893, an average of 66 degrees, and the coldest, in 1881 and 1898, an average of 58 degrees.

The average date on which the last killing frost in Spring occurred is March 30th.

The average rainfall for the month is 2.83 inches.

Homewood Colony Prosperous.

Mr. L. D. Pettenger, of Steward, Ill., is in the city en route home from Homewood Colony near Conway where he has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Pettenger. The Homewood Colony has been located only about four months and is, Mr. Pettenger says, making excellent headway in the matter of establishing themselves in trucking and other industries. They have good prospects for a profitable strawberry crop this Spring.

Small Fire Yesterday

As a result of a fire, the alarm for which was sent in at 9.08 o'clock yesterday morning from box 26, a stable, owned by Mrs. H. J. Bierman, on the premises at No. 212 North Third street, was destroyed and a nearby tenement house owned by Mr. Hugh Sweeney and occupied by two negro women, Mary Moore and Ella Patrick, was damaged about $50. There was no insurance on either building. The fire is attributed to children playing with matches in the stable, setting fire to a quantity of hay.

Services at St. James Church.

Joint services of the Parishes of St. John, St. Paul, and St. James will be held at St. James' Church this evening, at 8 o'clock. Rev. James Carmichael D. D., officiating, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Wooten, Barber and Windley.

CONGRESSIONAL CONTEST.

Only Two Witnesses Examined Yesterday and Their Testimony Was Not Disappointing to Contestee.

Nothing of interest developed from the hearing in the Bellamy--Dockery case, which was resumed yesterday morning at 11:30 o'clock.

Oscar J. Spears, Esq., was assisted in his cross examination by Attorney Musselwhite, of Fayetteville, and Esquires Geo. L. Peschau, Franklin McNeill and Thos. W. Strange were present in the interest of Mr. Bellamy.

Mr. C. F. Craig, the first witness, testified as to having been a registrar in the second division of the First Ward; the election was quiet and orderly.

The cross examination consisted of a multitude of questions relative to the identity of persons who appointed the election officers for the election held Nov. 8, 1898, but no evidence unfavorable to contestee was secured, the witness testifying in a straightforward manner, not even once becoming confused with the entangling questions proposed by Mr. Spears.

The direct and re-direct examination was by Franklin McNeill, Esq.

Mr. Jno. R. Turrentine was the second and last witness before an adjournment was taken at 1 o'clock P. M. The examination was by Geo. L. Peschau, Esq., and the questions and answers were as clear and concise as those of any witness examined during the progress of the investigation. The witness testified as to having been a resident of the city of Wilmington since the war; took an active interest in politics, and was at the polls all day during the election in question; saw no fraud or intimidation, and in reply to a question on cross-examination, which would be a virtual admission that a riot occurred in the city of Wilmington after the elections he said that for the reasons stated he declined to answer. The question was then couched in other language, and the witness testified that, to his personal knowledge, he knew of no riot here on the day in question.

Upon the conclusion of Mr. Turrentine's testimony, an adjournment was taken until 11 o'clock this morning.

"A BREEZY TIME" TO-NIGHT.

The Atlanta Journal Pays the Company a High Compliment.

At the Opera House to-night "A Breezy Time" will doubtless afford lots of amusement. Indications are, too, that there will be a good audience. The company is highly spoken of by papers of leading Southern cities where they have played. A recent issue of the Atlanta *Journal* has the following complimentary notice, to-wit:

A very large audience was present last night at the Columbia, to see Fitz and Webster's "A Breezy Time." From start to finish it is one long laugh and the audience seemed to enjoy the many funny situations and excellent specialties that came thick and fast throughout the three acts.

Of course "A Breezy Time" has no plot to speak of, but the audience last night expected none and seemed quite satisfied, and showed their appreciation by prolonged applause and many encores.

Miss Frankie Campbell as *Daisy;* E. F. Kreger as *Reuben Merryfield;* Bob Carlton as the *Tramp*, and E. A. Clark, as the *Dutch Comedian*, filled the principal roles in a very acceptable matter. La Della did a bit of contortion work that caught the house. The performance was concluded with an original cake walk that was an appropriate ending to a pleasing entertainment.

Committed For Attempted Incendiarism.

Justice McGowan yesterday rendered his decision in the case of the young white man Thomson, who was arraigned before his court Tuesday afternoon, charged with attempted incendiarism in making an effort to burn the house of a white woman, Grace Miller, on Queen street. He adjudged that there was probable cause, and the defendant was committed to jail in default of $100 bond for his appearance at the next term of the Circuit Criminal Court.

Annual Hibernian Ball.

The Hibernian Society of this city will give their grand annual ball on Easter Monday night in Hibernian Hall. It is the determination of those having the arrangements in charge to give the most successful event in the history of the Society. The special committee consists of Mr. James Allen, Mr. J. W. Reilly, Capt. Robt. Green, Mr. Timothy Donlan and Mr. Martin O'Brien.

The First Ripe Strawberries.

Mr. W. A. Riach, auditor of the Atlantic Coast Line, comes to the front as an expert trucker as well as railroad accountant, he having gathered fine ripe strawberries on his farm near this city on Tuesday of this week. He didn't gather them in quantities, of course, but they were, at least so far as reported, the first of the season.

A NEW HEATING DEVICE

Without the Use of Coal.

A fire which can be touched off with a match, gives as much or as little heat as you want, can be turned off or on at will, and is free from odor, dust or ashes; in fact, a fire which possesses all the advantages necessary for the perfect heating of all kinds of cook and other stoves and furnaces, is worthy of consideration by all citizens interested in the problem of cheaper and better fuel. This new method can be seen in operation for a few days in Wessell Block, on South Front street, near the Market House.

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

The State Treasurer Refused the Demand of the Penitentiary Committee.

PUBLIC PRINTING DELAYED.

Epidemic of Meningitis—Cruiser Raleigh. Smallpox—First Regiment's Reception—Violent Storm at Rockingham—Roxboro's Election.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 29.

During the storm at Rockingham yesterday, a house in which there were several children was blown to pieces, but its inmates miraculously escaped injury.

The public printers are working day and night to get out the laws and journals on time—ninety days after adjournment of the Legislature. Already 600 pages of the Senate Journal and 224 pages of the Public Laws have been completed.

The printing has been delayed on account of the late hour at which the Legislature gave out the contract. It was awarded on March 7th, the day before the Legislature adjourned, and not until a week later, March 15th, were the printers able to get a sheet of paper. Instead of the usual 6,000 copies of the Laws, there will this year be 9,500 copies printed. The Revenue and Machinery Acts contain ninety-six pages, and there will this year be 6,000 more copies than usual printed. The Insanity Laws consist of twenty-eight pages. Of these 5,000 extra copies have been printed. The Insurance Laws make fifty-two pages The captions will be out in a few days.

Epidemic at Marion.

There seems to be an epidemic of meningitis at Marion. Four deaths from the disease have occurred there within a week.

Superintendent J. C. Mathes, of the Durham cotton mills, who was so badly scalded at the same time Mr. Branson was, is improving and, it is believed, will recover. It is even hoped to save his eyesight.

In the election at Roxboro only six votes were cast against the proposed issue of $10,000 of bonds for water works and other municipal improvements.

All the convicts at the penitentiary have now been vaccinated.

Raleigh will give a hearty welcome to its company now in the First North Carolina regiment on it return home.

It is ascertained that the set of colors that it is proposed to present to the cruiser Raleigh will cost $227.23. There are fifty-six flags in the set.

More Smallpox.

Another suspected case of smallpox was discovered here this morning. It is a negro woman, living on North street. This is the vicinity in which the first case here was discovered and several have since developed. The first nine cases quarantined here have been dismissed as well. The pest house has been completed and is now ready for the reception of patients.

A delegation will probably be sent to New York to represent this city on the arrival of the cruiser *Raleigh*. No decision has been reached as to the proposition to bring the officers of the vessel here for the purpose of making the gift presentations.

There has within the last few days been a remarkable falling off in railway travel. Railroad men attribute it to the smallpox scare.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 29.—Col. John Robinson, ex-Commissioner of Agriculture, died at his home near this city this afternoon at 5 o'clock. He was in his 69th year. The body was taken to Wadesboro to-night on the Atlanta special. The funeral will be held there to-morrow.

U. S. Cruiser Raleigh.

A telegram received to-day from Mayor VanWyck, of New York, says that if a committee is sent from here to that city to participate in the reception tendered the commander, officers and sailors of the cruiser *Raleigh*, "they will be welcomed with great pleasure, and accommodations will be provided for them on the boat which will carry the committee appointed by the Mayor of New York down the bay to welcome the *Raleigh*."

A new case of smallpox is reported from Henderson.

Durham is preparing to give its company in the First regiment a royal reception on its return home.

Eight Federal prisoners to-day completed their terms in the penitentiary here and were released. Seven of them are from Alabama and one is from Arkansas. Most of them were sent up for moonshining.

Demand on State Treasurer.

The Executive Committee of the Penitentiary to-day made a demand on the State Treasurer for part of the $50,000 appropriated by the last Legislature for the maintenance of the institution, and he refused to pay it. There was talk of bringing mandamus to compel him to do so, but finally it was decided to wait for the decision in the Day case. The money asked for to-day was to buy fertilizers

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—10 bales cotton, 7 barrels tar, 300 barrels rosin, 2 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—23 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 20 barrels rosin, 111 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—1 bale cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 40 barrels rosin, 14 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—7 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 8 barrels rosin, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—Cotton, 41 bales; spirits turpentine, 23 casks; rosin, 368 barrels; tar, 127 barrels; crude turpentine, 7 barrels.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

CYCLONE IN PITT COUNTY.

Struck the Town of Bethel Tuesday Night—Buildings Wrecked—There Was No Loss of Life.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

BETHEL, PITT CO., March 29.

A cyclone struck the town of Bethel last night (Tuesday) about 8 o'clock. No such a storm has ever been experienced in this community; the wind blew from six to ten minutes, sweeping everything in its path. Among the losses that have been ascertained was the Missionary Baptist church, which was torn literally to pieces. The entire building was moved from its foundation about ten feet. Another loss is the large brick hotel, which was very badly torn up; the whole top was blown off, windows broken out and the rain that followed has damaged the stocks of goods to an unknown extent. Blount & Bro.'s large livery stables were torn to pieces; in them were three horses and four buggies and a large lot of corn and fodder. Two of the horses were gotten out alive, though injured; the other—a nice young mare—has not as yet been seen. We have not heard of any lives being lost as yet, but many houses and stores were completely torn to pieces. There was a car on the side-track of the railroad ladened with fertilizers which was blown at least 250 yards and wrecked at the end of the switch. Much other damage was done. The loss is unknown but we think as far as we have heard it is not less than $25,000 just in the community of Bethel.

DR. HOGE TO BE THE ORATOR

For the Charleston Post Society On the Occasion of Their Anniversary Celebration May 5th.

[*Charleston News and Courier.*]

The Charleston Port Society will be signally fortunate this year in its anniversary orator. The Rev. Dr. Peyton H. Hoge, of Wilmington, N. C., will deliver the annual sermon, on Sunday night, May 5. Dr. Hoge was mentioned prominently as the successor of the Rev. Dr. John Hall, in the pastorate of the famous Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in the city of New York, and is a nephew of the Rev. Dr. Moses D. Hoge, of Richmond, Va., whose recent death is so deplored in the Old Dominion.

Dr. Peyton Hoge was very prominent in the troubles in Wilmington a few months since, bringing all the power of his great ability and personal influence to allay the tense feeling in that community, and afterward giving to the papers of the North the true story of the trouble which arose. An enthusiastic lover of Confederate memories Dr. Hoge will remain in Charleston throughout all the days of the great Reunion in May.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice March 29th, 1899.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Eliza F. Allen. Ida Blair, Lillie Byrd. T C Cox, Charlotte Edwards. Julia Finks, Pricillia Foy. Nancey Green. J S Harriss. Annie Johnson, Charlotte Johnson, Mandy Jackson. Jean Lucas. Lillian Irwin. Mary Lewis. Nell Mosely. Janie Penisk, Maggie Potter. Carrie Shires, Rinna Williams, Lena Whandle.

MEN'S LIST.

H L Alfords, Willie Allen. Frank Beasley, Fray Bemom, Henry Bell, J T Bullard, John Barough, Westley Brinkley. Richard Cromwell. Dock Dickson, Forest Darden, John Davist. H Edwards, J S Elliott. W S Finklin. James Grady. Lewis Henry Gause. M Goldman, Robbie Graham, Tom Gardner. W C Harris. J L Johnson, Johnson Bro's. C Millard, Harry Mayes, James Moore, John Murphy, Neil A. McLean, McCross, Monroe Moore, W A McDuffie. Jimmie Preast, R J Padrick, L T Powell. H T Remington, John Rogers, J S Russell, Rosltes & Clark, Lorenzo Rhodes. W Reed, W M Robinson. Geo O Sawyer, J M Smith, W H Stokely. B F Vaident. M C Webster, Williamson & Jones.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Beulah Berry. Mary A Lambe. A J Norton. L R Murphy. C C Whiteheart, Mary A Wright.

FOREIGN.

Signor Cutie Gionvanni.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office.

WM. H. CHADBOURN, Postmaster.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

No Business

Will be transacted by the Banks of this city Friday, March 31st.

MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK,
NATIONAL BANK OF WILMINGTON,
ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK.
ma 30 1t

N. F. PARKER.
Furniture, Furniture Novelties
No. 17 S. Front St.

I have some goods for which there is not much demand during the Summer, and rather than carry them over will sell at any price.

While you are looking at these Bargains interview me on "SUMMER FURNISHINGS."

To accommodate those who cannot visit my store during the usual business hours, I will keep open Mondays and Thursdays till 8.30 o'clock P. M., and Saturdays till 10 P. M
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LARD.
Pure Lard
at The Unlucky Corner.

You will surely slip up if you don't inquire the

Cut Price of Jones' Pure Leaf Lard, Kettle rendered.

TWO DAYS ONLY.
Quantity to one person limited.

S. W. SANDERS.

P. S.—No dealer need apply. ma 30 1t

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Cash Paid for Beeswax.

If you have some to sell, ship it to us, and we will allow you

26 cents per pound free on board cars or steamer

at Wilmington, in good sound packages

W. H. BOWDLEAR & CO.,
ma 3 2m Boston, Mass.

Reduction in Snuff.

100 Gross R. R. Snuff Packs	$5.75
55 Gross R. R. Snuff Bags	5.40
15 Pails Weasard's	42c lb
75 Boxes 3 Thistle	36c lb
50 Boxes Blue Ribbon in cans	6.00

We allow 5 per cent. Discount and prepay freight in 100-pound lots; 10 per cent. Discount in 500-pound lots.

100 cases Tomson's Lye $2.50 case
100 cases 5c Babbitt's Lye 2.70 case
100 boxes Borax Soap 3.50 box

W. B. COOPER,
Wholesale Grocer,
ma 28 1t Wilmington, N. C

New Stock.

The Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association

will start a NEW SERIES, first payment to be made on Saturday, April 1st.

Those wishing to secure Stock in this NEW SERIES should apply at once to an officer or director of the Association.

J. C. STEVENSON, President.
H. C. McQUEEN, Vice President.
C. C. BROWN, Secretary and Treasurer.

L. S. BELDEN, WM. GOODMAN, C. W. POLVOGT, J. H. HARDIN, GEO. D. PARSLEY, T. O. BUNTING, N. M. McEACHERN, O. M. FILLYAW, DIRECTORS.
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CRACKERS.
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SUGAR.
COFFEE.

Rust Proof Oats.
September Mullets.
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Seed Potatoes.

GENERAL STOCK
GROCERIES.

At Wholesale.

McNAIR & PEARSALL.
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The Murchison National Bank.
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J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 30.

VOICES OF WARNING.

Several days ago we quoted an article from the *American Wool and Cotton Reporter* on the danger of the Trust craze and predicting that if not restrained it would surely result in a crash that will not only destroy the Trusts but bring on a financial panic that will spread throughout the country. The writer gave very good reasons for what he predicted.

It is not in the nature of things that all these Trusts should prove profitable, for there are entirely too many of them. There is scarcely an article which enters into general use that has not its Trust, and it is not in the nature of things, either, that these Trusts will have an undisputed monopoly in their respective lines, for if those in existence show tempting profits that will stimulate the organization of rivals and then the cutting and slashing will take place that will be ruinous to one or both. We have indications of this already in the organization of some Trusts that must become competitors directly or indirectly of others previously organized, while some have been organized for the express purpose of competition; the new Oil Trust, for instance, which, backed by English capital, has been organized as a competitor of the Standard Oil Company. It has purchased a large oil-bearing tract of land in the Cherokee country and will make that its base of operations. It may possibly be for a while a troublesome competitor of the Standard Oil Company, and may very materially reduce its dividends, but it must have a great deal of money to throw away if it expects to remain in the field and keep up the competition. If, however, the Standard Oil Company had not the unbounded resources and capital it can command this new concern might drive it to the wall or each might go to the wall in the effort to destroy the other.

When the trouble begins it is only those of unlimited capital which can survive while the hundreds will topple. This will be the case even with those which have been organized for regular work, and with some honest capital, but the others which have been oaganized on speculative basis, with a small *bona fide* and a large watered stock will topple like card houses when the lightning strikes. They will go, bring others down with them and some that might stand alone if they were not connected with them in some way. The writer of the article to which we have referred is not the only person who looks for trouble to the Trusts, and ruin to their victims, to the people who are enticed to putting their money into them.

The New York *World* has been recently asking the views of prominent public men on the dangers of Trusts, in connection with which we quote the following:

William T. Haines, Attorney-General of Maine said:

"I expect to see the greatest panic the country ever saw, in less than five years, as a result of trusts. All kinds of properties are being sold to trusts for twice what they are worth, upon which stocks and bonds are being issued, and the credulous public are investing their money in the same. General bankruptcy and panic will sooner or later be the result of these great combinations.

Said A. A. Goddard, Attorney-Generl of Kansas:

"Another and very serious danger to this country growing out of the formation of 'trusts and 'combines,' and one that may strike every business and every system of the country, is the tendency to create these corporations with stock based upon fictitious values, thereby increasing speculation, which may take the form of the 'South Sea Bubble' and result in a general panic and a period of financial trouble and depression throughout the country.

"Both Mr. Haines and Mr. Goddard are Republicans. Mr. Haines is from the far East. Mr. Goddard has the trans-Mississippi West as his environment. Yet they express precisely the same opinion—and that a sensible and profoundly interesting opinion.

"Attorney-General Griggs, in the last sentence of the famous 'unconditional surrender' letter, hints at the same thing.

"If monoply continues to thrive through the fear of Mr. Griggs that he might seem "superofficious," and if the result predicted above comes to pass, who will be responsible? And, further, if there should be a cataclysmic crash, would not monopoly rise from the ruins more powerful than ever, more able than ever to crush out the industrial and political independence of a people prostrated by the paralysis of their entire industrial system?

"From any point of view monopoly is not only a dominant but also pressing issue."

Attorney General Haines expects "to see the greatest financial panic the country ever saw, in less than five years, as a result of trusts," while Attorney General Goddard sees a "South Sea Bubble" which will burst and spread panic far and wide.

Attorney General Griggs, of New Jersey, a State which is a regular Trust incubator, sees no way of curbing them by Federal legislation, but says it must be done by State laws, and that the States should co-operate for that purpose, which view is in line with the movement in the Pennsylvania Legislature to appoint a commission to investigate the Trust question and suggest such legislation as it may deem best to check the Trust abuse, and also to seek the co-operation of other States of the Union with a view to securing uniform legislation.

While there may be politics in some of this, there is enough in it to show that there is a growing apprehension that this Trust craze is going to result in a financial crash that will shake the country and bring ruin that it may take many years to recover from.

PLAYING REED.

Notwithstanding the report that Mark Hanna says there is an understanding between him and Mr. McKinley and Mr. Hobart that Mr. Hobart is to be McKinley's running mate if McKinley be renominated for the Presidency, there are indications that concerted efforts are being made to put Hon. T. B. Reed on the ticket as McKinley's running mate, and this with the connivance of Mark Hanna and Mr. McKinley. These is pretty good reason for believing that the meeting on Jekyl island was arranged with the view of seeing whether something might not be done to placate Reed and bring him more in harmony with the adminstration, although it is stoutly denied by Hanna and others that politics had anything to do with that meeting.

It is somewhat significant, however, that so soon after it, the Chicago *Times-Herald* should spring the nomination of Mr. Reed for the Vice Presidency on the ticket with McKinley, the *Times-Herald* assuming that McKinley will be renominated. As is well known the relations between the editor of that paper and Mr. McKinley are very close and cordial, and have been so ever since Mr. Kohlsaat joined hands in 1896 with Hanna in booming McKinley for the Presidency, and in manipulating the delegates to secure his nomination, for which next to Hanna McKinley is indebted to him. This gives special significance to Mr. Kohlsaat's advocacy of Reed for the Vice Presidency, because the reasonable inference is that this has not been done without consultation with Hanna and McKinley, both of whom are very anxious to placate the Maine kicker, and would gladly put him on the ticket if he would consent to become the tail to the McKinley kite.

IT WILL DO GOOD.

Whatever the results of the bad beef investigations may be as to fixing the responsibility for palming off rotten meat on the army when good meat was contracted and paid for, they have thrown so much light on the beef question that the result will be beneficial to the whole country. While the inquiry was intended to ascertain what kind of beef the soldiers were fed with, the American people have had a lot of information supplied as to the kind of beef they have been fed with, that is those who depended for their beef supplies on the great packing houses of the West.

How many, or how few, persons had any idea of the stuff they were eating when they ate the canned "roast beef" that found its way into so many households, before they read the testimony showing what this stuff was, that is simply the collections of the refuse meat which had been boiled and the nutriment extracted before it was put into cans, subjected to a high degree of heat and labelled and put on the market as "roast beef." It is safe to say that henceforth there will be very little demand for that kind of "roast beef."

But this is not all, for the published testimony shows that much of the beef put upon the market is temporarily preserved with chemical applications and that much more is diseased meat which should find its place in the fertilizer factory instead of the butcher's stall. It will be very strange, indeed, if all this does not result in more rigid inspection of the beef slaughtered by these companies, for practically, while there have been inspection laws, their execution amounted to little more than a farce.

AMERICAN NAILS IN ENGLAND.

It puzzles English manufacturers to understand how it is that American manufacturers can make and sell manufactured articles in England at a lower figure than English manufacturers can. This is the case in many lines of goods, including iron and steel articles, the manufacture of which the Englishmen thought they had got down so fine that there was no reason to fear successful competition. But the successful competition came, and from the direction least expected. Referring to the sale of American nails in England the British *Iron and Coal Trades Review* says:

"Figures published from time to time make it clear that the United States threatens Europe with serious competition in the nail trade, despite the fact that it is a highly finished product, as iron works' products go, and involves the employment of a large amount of skilled labor. At the average wholesale price of $1.08 per keg of 100 pounds, the United States appears to be prepared to sell cut nails at works for about $23, or about £4 15 shillings, per ton, little more than the British price for steel rails. This, moreover, is not the price for export purposes alone, but the average American price for all purposes for a whole year. We have never heard of any price approaching this figure being quoted in Europe British nail manufacturers would be likely to find it worth their while to ascertain how it is done, compatibly with the payment of the higher range of wages common to all American industries."

Wages of skilled workmen are higher in this country than in England and therefore English iron makers can't understand how American iron makers can afford to pay the higher wages and yet sell their goods for less money than the Englishmen can, but they fail to catch on to the fact that the American makes machinery do the work of many men, and that he only pays one man where the Englishman pays several.

One of the studies in the American shop and factory is to dispense with hand labor, whether it be in the making of a match or in the building of a locomotive, and for that reason whenever it is practicable to substitute machine for hand labor, it is done, whether the cost of hand labor be high or low. Of course there are other reasons why the American goes to the front, but this is the principal one.

TWINKLINGS.

— Y.—"They say the Toodies baby has her mother's chin." G—"Indeed! I didn't know the little thing had begun to talk yet!"—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— "Just think of his committing suicide for love! Wasn't it awful?" "It was the only way he could keep his word, poor boy, for he had vowed to her that he would never love another woman."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Dobbs—"There's a man who shaves several times a day." Wiggins—"You don't mean it? Should think there'd be nothing left of his face." Dobbs—"It doesn't hurt his face at all. He's a barber."—*Harlem Life.*

— Depends on Circumstances—Mrs. Chugwater—Josiah, I see a good deal in the papers about infernal machines. What is an infernal machine?

Mr. Chugwater—Well, sometimes I think it's a lawn mower and sometimes I think it's a piano.—*Chicago Tribune.*

— The Obvious Reply: "What would you say," asked the fair theosophist, "if I should tell you that I was born in Egypt 3,000 years ago?" "Why," said the party addressed. "I should certainly say you don't look it."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— Mother—"For mercy's sake, Harriet, what do you and Dr. Dumleigh find to talk about? It was buzz, buzz, the whole evening." Harriet—"We were talking about trusts and combines, ma; but it was not a profitable conversation, after all. Mr. Dumleigh talked about all the combinations he could think of but the matrimonial combine."—*Boston Transcript.*

— "Oh, no! I haven't got a snap for next season at all?" chuckled the living skeleton, and his bones rattled with joy. "Going to sit for X ray photographs of fat people?" queried the left head of the two headed girl. "Not on your double life!" replied the living skeleton, indignantly; "I'm going to be the victim of Spanish misrule in a Cuban play."—*Puck.*

APPOINTMENTS

By the Bishop of East Carolina.

March 31, Good Friday, M. P., S. Thomas', Cumberland Co.
March 31, Good Friday, E. P., S. Philip's, Fayetteville.
April 2, Easter Day, M. P., S. John's; E. P., S. Joseph's, Fayetteville.
April 4, Tuesday, E. P., S. Matthew's, Maxton.
April 5, Wednesday, Com., S. Matthew's, Maxton.
April 5, Wednesday, E. P., Red Springs.
April 9, Sunday 1st after Easter, M. P., Christ Church, Rockfish.
April 9, Sunday 1st after Easter, E. P., S. Andrew's, Flea Hill.
April 16, Sunday 2nd after Easter, M. P., Christ Church.
April 16, Sunday 2nd after Easter, E. P., S. Cyprian's, Newbern.
April 17, Monday, S. Thomas', Craven Co.
April 18, Tuesday, S. Paul's, Vanceboro.
April 19, Wednesday, E. P., Stonewall.
April 20, Thursday, Com., Stonewall.
April 21, Friday, Grace Church, Trenton.
April 25, Sunday 3rd after Easter, M. P.; S. John's, Wilmington.
April 23, Sunday 3rd after Easter, E. P., Good Shepherd, Wilmington.
April 30, Sunday 4th after Easter, M. P., S. James', Wilmington.
May 7, Sunday 5th after Easter, Lake Waccamaw.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Winston *Sentinel*: The Winston Furniture Company has decided to increase its capital stock from $15,000 to $30,000. The company expects to begin operations by April 10th.

— Statesville *Landmark*: Emma Rhinehardt, Scales Tomlin and Robert Moore, colored, were last week committed to jail by Coroner Foard on the charge of being implicated in the death of Bessie Walker, colored.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Miss Susie Overman, who stays at Mr. Will Kirk's, was standing near the cook stove on Monday when lighting ran down the chimney and the pipe, bursting the stove, and then struck her on the left limb just above the ankle. Miss Susie's shoe was torn off and one toe was cut, but she was not seriously hurt. She was knocked about ten feet.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Mr. Lonnie Edwards, aged 21, died Sunday of the wounds received in the Clifton saw mill explosion at Cedar Creek. His father, Mr. Sylvester Edwards, who was also severely hurt, will recover. Mr. Q. H. Wheeler is not expected to live. Two deaths have resulted so far from this fearful explosion, the one above mentioned and the negro, Will Edwards, who died the day after the accident.

— Newbern *Journal*: Mr. John L. McDaniel, whose fig trees are so famous for their quantity and quality bearing, are found to have been killed by the cold weather of last winter and they will be cut down close to the ground. Mr. McDaniel had in his garden 46 bunches of fig trees, and 17 varieties of figs, all of fine quality. Each year these trees have borne more and better figs, and they have always been in good demand. Besides Mr. McDaniel, it is thought that all the fig trees in Newbern were killed down to the roots by the severe cold weather.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Deputy Sheriff Harry C. Wooten returned Saturday from Wilmington with W. W. Robinson, who is charged with obtaining money under false pretense in Kinston a week or ten days ago. His preliminary trial is set for next Thursday. He is in jail pending trial.——Deputy Sheriff Harry Wooten, while going to Wilmington the other day, saw Charlie Haynes in Duplin county. Haynes was wanted in Kinston for embezzling money from the Order of Columbus. Deputy Wooten arrested Haynes at Rocky Point, Duplin county, and brought him to Kinston this morning. Haynes was tried before L. J. Moore, J. P., this morning, for embezzlement. He pleaded guilty and was bound over to court in the sum of $300 justified bond, in default of which he is now in jail.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The prospect that the Czar's peace conference will wind up in a row has been good from the first, but the news from Rome now indicates thst it will begin in the same. —*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

—— The country in its prosperity is importing luxuries at a great rate. The customs collections for the current month will be about $21,000,000 against $13,500,000 for March, 1896, when the entire business of the country was at its lowest ebb. The big collections now are made such by the bringing in of luxuries, the Dingley tariff shutting out staple articles pretty thoroughly. About 95 per cent, of the the customs taxes are now paid in gold.—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

—— As an evidence of how completely Boss Hanna has the Republican party by the throat, if he decides that Hobart shall again have the second place on the national ticket his decision will be meekly accepted if, on the other hand, his decision is adverse an announcement may be looked for from the victim before delegates to the convention are elected that "private business" will prevent his acceptance of a nomination.—*New Orleans States, Dem.*

In 1777 one Elkanah Watson, of Rhode Island, made a journey westward toward the interior of the continent, what he saw inspiring this curious prophesy: "In contemplating future America, the mind is lost in the din of cities, in harbors and rivers crowded with sails, and in the immensity of population. Admitting our population to double every thirty-three years, the result in a hundred hears will be sixty-two million of republican freemen, approaching one hundred millions in 1900, which will be nearly equal to all Europe at the present day." The forecast is practically fulfilled.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

Wanted Damages.

Of those would be litigants who, like Hotspur, "in the way of bargain," will "cavil on the ninth part of a hair," a Kentucky lawyer tells in the Louisville Courier-Journal this good story:

I was in my partner's office at Brownville one day, when a tall, lank native, about 50 years of age, came in. After he had warmed himself we inquired of him his business. To the inquiry he replied:

"I want ter bring suit ag'in old man H.'s estate. During the war he drafted me for service, and when I showed up he said he didn't need me. Ef I had 'a' went in, I would have been a-drawin a pension now, and I want ter sue him fer damages fer keepin me from drawin a pension."

When we told him that his cause for action was no good, he shambled out of the office and remarked that "there was no jestice in law nohow."

Too Much Eating.

Gluttony has its victims, hardly less numerous than other vices. To overeat is to overburden the digestive organs to such an extent that it will be impossible for them to perform their duties properly. Deleterious products are created, and health is finally destroyed. A prominent judge used to say such men dig their graves with their teeth—and it is so. On the other hand, there are those who eat too little. All extremes are evils that experience should govern. —Exchange.

An African Mother-in-law.

A native has been committed to the high court for trial for mutilating his mother-in-law by cutting off her ear.

The native averred that his mother-in-law had attempted to entice her daughter away from him, her lawful husband, to some other native, and he took the extreme measure of cutting off her ear as a gentle hint to mind her own business.—Gwelo Times.

Not Wanted.

"I have here," he began, "a little poem, the child of"—

"Sorry," interrupted the editor, "but I couldn't think of taking a child away from its parent."—Harlem Life.

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SOME SMART ROGUES.

CLEVER SCHEMES BY WHICH JEWELERS HAVE BEEN DUPED.

One Swindler Who Could Make Genuine Sapphires and Another Who Could Produce Gold From Copper and Silver—A Prince's Present.

Some time ago a quietly dressed man entered the shop of a famous Parisian diamond merchant and requested to see the proprietor. On his wish being granted, he drew from his pocket a little packet of blue gems and spread them before the jeweler, asking for a candid opinion upon their merits.

"Sapphires!" exclaimed the jeweler. "Very fine ones. Do you wish to sell them?"

"Do you wish to buy them and as many others as I can make?" returned the visitor quietly.

"Make! I don't follow you!"

"I made those sapphires, but I defy you to discover a flaw in them," explained the visitor, with some show of pride, and he went on to state he had discovered a method of making, not sham gems, but real ones.

The jeweler was incredulous; the gems before him were unquestionably genuine.

"Well, I'll let you have that lot for 50 francs," replied the inventor, "and I can make you any number you like at 5 francs each, and you must know that they are worth from 40 to 80 francs each. The fact is, I want you to enter into partnership with me for the manufacture and sale of these gems. I'll manufacture, and you can sell, and in this way we can work in secret and scoop the market."

The bated breath of the dealer in precious stones was fairly taken out of his body by this noble offer, and he, having bought the sapphires at the price asked, said he would think the matter over and give his decision if the inventor would call next day, and the inventor departed.

No sooner had he gone than the dealer rushed to his testing room and put his newly acquired sapphires to every possible test. What could it mean? They were undoubtedly real! How could he suspect a fraud when the seller had parted with them for less than a tenth part of their rough value? No, his fortune was made.

A few days later he visited the laboratory of his scientific visitor and had some genuine sapphires manufactured while he waited. That clinched the matter. Thirty hours after he signed a deed of partnership with the scientist, paid over the sum of £8,000 in hard cash as first installment of the £50,000 which was the price of half the secret.

Next morning the scientist left his abode with £8,000 on his person, smiling grimly as he looked for the last time round his ostentatious laboratory, chuckling at the thought of how he had set a sprat to catch a whale—that is, 500 francs' worth of genuine sapphires for 8,000 genuine sovereigns!

The idea of manufacturing genuine precious stones and metals at a cost which admits of a profit being made is a notion offering such boundless fortunes to any one who could invent the process that even the most wary business men have been defrauded by persons who have claimed ability to work the wonder. Probably the majority of such fraudulent schemes have been in connection with either the making of gold from some other mineral or minerals or of extracting gold in paying quantities from sources where it exists in the most minute quantities—for example, the oceans. But one of the most audacious and at the same time successful of such swindles was perpetrated in Austria a few years since.

A self styled scientist stated that he had discovered a process by which an admixture of silver and copper could be turned into two-thirds its weight of the purest gold that could be discovered, and as the process was remarkably inexpensive and the admixture was 8½ of copper with 1½ of silver the scheme smacked of fortunes parallel only to national debts. This marvelous scheme was put before some of the wealthiest dealers in precious stones and metals, who were previously bound under a penalty not to disclose any of the secrets of the process.

Demonstrations of certain portions of the process were made privately before each of the gentlemen who had been generously invited to become rich by the scheme, and so cleverly were these demonstrations made that the pseudo scientist had but little difficulty in persuading eight men of wealth to form a secret and select syndicate to work his process. With a view to improving his inventions, the scientist occupied in making further experiments all the time which was necessary for him to get in his victims' investments, and then he proved how money making his scheme was by eloping with nearly £10,000.

A well dressed gentleman walked into a Vienna jewelry establishment on one occasion and requested the manager to send an assortment of diamond necklaces and bracelets to Count Something or other at one of the best hotels in the town during the course of the day. The manager, who easily recognized in his customer the personality of one of the first princes in Germany, replied, with an urbanity which might have melted the selfsame diamonds, that the esteemed order should be complied with. He not unnaturally concluded that the prince was traveling incognito, for there could be no question as to who Count Something or other really was.

The jewels were taken to the count's hotel later in the day by the manager himself, who could not do honor enough to the royal customer. During the examination of the jewels the manager let out that he detected the count's identity, whereupon the latter professed intense annoyance and begged the manager to be discreet, as he particularly desired his presence in Vienna to be absolutely secret. He had come unattended with that express intention. Finally, after much indecision, he selected 20,000 francs' worth of jewelry, which he directed should be sent round to the flat of a then famous singer, bearing no indication of whence it emanated beyond being tied up in a particular way. He would be leaving Vienna that evening and on reaching Berlin would forward full remittance.

In dealing with royal personages it is gross impertinence to think of the payment, so the case of jewels was sent as directed, and it was taken in and signed for by one of the servants of the flat, who the same evening eloped with the prince and sought other climates.

The prince, whose personality the jeweler had so smartly detected, was a super at the theater where nightly sang the singer who did not get the diamonds. The maid who did get them was engaged to the princely super, and, as has been seen, she acted up to her engagement and likewise brought her husband a very handsome dot. —London Tit-Bits.

— "You started your housecleaning early." "Yes; we had to or wait until five families got through with our stepladder."—*Chicago Record.*

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THE BOYS CALLED HIM MIKE.

It Grieved His Mother, but the "Old Man" Thought It Was Smart.

"Where's the boy?" inquired Mr. Spadina cheerily, and it occurred to him that it was about time for his 7-year-old son to bid him good night.

"The boy," replied Mrs. Spadina severely, "is in bed."

"Not sick?"

"No, he is not sick," said Mrs. Spadina in a tone that implied something even worse. "I've been waiting for an opportunity to tell you all about it, but have not had a chance until now. It just means this—that we must move away from this neighborhood. It's no place to bring up a boy, and I just won't stand it. We must get a house in some part of the city where Harold will have nice children to play with."

"But what's the matter?" asked the husband with concern. "What has happened?"

"Well, I'm telling you just as fast as I can. This afternoon when the doorbell rang I was in the hall and answered the door myself, for I saw a boy there. On opening the door the boy said to me, 'Please, can Mike come out and play ball?' I told him that we had no Mike here and said that he had called at the wrong house. 'No,' he said, 'I mean Mike, you know—your boy Mike. I guess you call him Harold,' he said.

"Now, what do you think of that? Well, you may be sure I told that boy what I thought of him, and he began to whimper and said that Harold had licked him—that's just what he said—Harold had licked him yesterday for not calling him Mike, and everybody called him Mike at school. And it's worse than that, for they call him Mike Spad—not Harold Spadina, but Mike Spad."

"Well, upon my word!" exclaimed Mr. Spadina.

"I marched out into the dining room, where Harold was eating some bread and butter," continued Mrs. Spadina, "and I went for him, and do you know that child sat up in his chair and said that he'd rather be called Mike than Harold, and that since his chums had started to call him Mike Spad the other gang's afraid of him. Well, I just sent him off to bed at 5 o'clock, and he's there yet. Mike Spad," she added with intense feeling on each word.

"The little scamp!" exclaimed Mr. Spadina.

"We have been talking of getting a better house in some other part of the city for a long time," said Mrs. Spadina, "and I'm sick and tired of this place. We can't send him over to that school any longer, with its rowdy names and its gangs and its fighting. Harold has clearly been fighting, for the boy said as much."

The father was looking silently at the ceiling and puffing at his evening cigar. He generally thought matters over before giving his decision, and Mrs. Spadina cautiously went upstairs, where she found the formidable Mike Spad sound asleep and with the clothing kicked off him.

And Mr. Spadina blew a whiff from his cigar and said, "At school they used to call me Bump." And presently he smiled, and, knocking the ash off his cigar, he chuckled: "There's good stuff in Mike. I wonder how big the boy was that he walloped?"

And the important point is that of the son, the mother and the father one was as true to human nature as either of the others.—Toronto Saturday Night.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	13½
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 90
New City, each		@	1 80
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	32
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	12	@	15
Northern	20	@	23
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	51	@	53
Virginia Meal	52	@	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½	@	11¼
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	7½	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	9	@	10
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	83	@	85
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	60	@	65
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾	@	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M ft.—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	18 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogsheads		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	11 00
Rump		@	10 50
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 50	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 25	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5⅝	@	5¾
Standard A	5	@	5¼
White Extra C	5	@	5¼
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Palmo		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill	4 50	@	5 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 00	@	4 00
7 50		@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 50
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6x24 Heart	5 00	@	5 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	5
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	1 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 29.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95 cents per bbl for strained and $1.00 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.85 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for Dip and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine, firm at 30@29½c; rosin firm at $1.20, $1.25; tar steady, 90 cents; crude turpentine firm at $1.50@2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	23
Rosin	268
Tar	127
Crude Turpentine	7

Receipts same day last year.—48 casks spirits turpentine, 122 bbls rosin, 96 bbls tar, 6 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6 cents per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3 9-16 cts	℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 15-16 "	"
Low Middling	5 9-16 "	"
Middling	6 "	"
Good Middling	6 5-16 "	"

Same day last year middling 5¾c.

Receipts—41 bales; same day last year, 252.

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PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 55 to 60c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Virginia—Extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80@90c.

CORN—Firm: 45 to 52½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

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A LEPROSY TRAGEDY.

THE SACRIFICE OF KAOMOUNA, THE HAWAIIAN BEAUTY.

A Story Which Sheds a Bright Light Upon the Filial Devotion of Kanaka Women—Why a Baby's Advances Were Not Returned.

The usual Honolulu crowd was down at the dock when the steamship Australia, seven days from San Francisco, pulled alongside the pier on a brilliant, balmy afternoon in January, 1895. American women in summer afternoon costumes, a few English and a few German women of society arrayed also for steamer day (which is a Honolulu function), leaned back languorously in their carriages and phaetons, under the shade of parasols, listening to the lazy complimentary talk of the duck clad, lei enwreathed young business men who combined duty with pleasure in thus waiting for the great steamer to slip laboriously into her measured berth beside the pier.

The usual groups of silent, expectant eyed Kanaka men stood in the shade of the pier sheds, humble in attitude, chary of words, and yet sweet natured. Some of the men wore shoulder leis (wreaths of flowers) over their labor grimed hickory shirts, and the Kanaka women wore leis in cross belt over their flowing white Mother Hubbards. In truth, the flower wreaths were everywhere. Staid, middle aged merchants among the whites wore them about their helmets and straw hats, and all of the white women in carriages had belts of Hawaiian exotics.

All of the Kanaka women had bare feet. They stood about in little groups as silent as the men of their race. A few of the Kanaka women carried tiny brown babies—silent also. The young women were of varying degrees of beauty, their figures showing a uniform excellence of proportion.

One of these Kanaka women at the dock on this brilliant January afternoon was particularly beautiful. She was clad like the rest of the women of her race. She was fully 5 feet 10 inches in height, and the white silk cord with which, unlike the other Kanaka women, she drew her white dress about her waist, emphasized the splendid, heroic proportions of her figure. Kaomouna seemed quite unconscious of her beauty. The young shipping clerks, hurrying to and fro on the dock, with their pencils behind their ears, stopped suddenly when they caught sight of her. The women in the carriages, who had not been long down from the States or from Europe, saw Kamouna, and asked the women of longer Honolulu residence, "Who is that glorious creature?" Kaomouna, with a very sad face, spoke only an occasional word to one of the Kanaka women.

The Australia was made fast to the pier, and the passengers began to troop over the gangway. There was one man with his pretty young wife and 3-year-old little girl. The little girl was the first to catch sight of Kaomouna as she reached the bottom of the gangway. She quickly freed her hand from her father's grasp and ran toward Kaomouna with baby words. Kaomouna smiled at the little girl, but did not offer to take her up. Instead, she folded her arms, looking down at the little pink faced child pleasantly. When the mother had taken the little girl, she raised her eyes to look at Kaomouna.

"Did you ever in your whole life see such a perfectly beautiful woman?" asked the young wife of her husband in a whisper when he came up. "And Tita seemed to take to her immediately. If we could only have her for a nurse for Tita!"

Kaomouna heard her.

"Kaomouna would love to be that," she replied in a soft Kanaka accented speech, smiling. Then a look of pain came into her face. "But it may not be—it may not be"—and with her hands at her eyes Kaomouna turned suddenly and disappeared among the departing men and women of her race.

Three months later the parents of the little girl were at the dock together to witness for the first time the saddest of sights—the departure of the lepers for the island of Molokai. The Kilauea Hou, the leper steamer, was out in the stream, and the lepers were being carried out to her in barges. A litter was borne through the roped enclosure for the lepers. On it lay a very old Kanaka woman in the final stages of the disease. At the side of the litter walked Kaomouna. Her face was very sad. The parents of the little girl wondered. They spoke to an official of the Hawaiian board of health, who was busy in the task of embarking the lepers.

"Surely," they said, "she does not accompany the lepers?"

"Who, Kaomouna?" replied the health official. "Oh, yes, she does. But it is her own choice. Kaomouna, you know, has been secreting her old mother for a number of years. We always knew there was something mysterious about Kaomouna—that is, we have known it for the last five years. She had made queer visits to a palm hut far over in the Nuuanu valley. Last week we followed her—we felt there was leprosy in it. We found her mother in the hut—Kaomouna had had her in hiding, trying to save her from Molokai, ever since the disease became evident. Kaomouna is not infected in the least—she has been careful. But she elects to follow her mother to Molokai. Extraordinary? Why, not at all! You do not understand the filial devotion of Kanaka women—men, too, for that matter. Such cases are common enough."

The parents of the little girl looked at each other. There were tears in the mother's eyes.

"That is why she folded her arms and would not touch Tita!" she said. "In this world of God, civilized or uncivilized, could there be anything more noble?"

All was ready, and the Kilauea Hou, with Kaomouna and her mother on board, slowly started down the harbor, the Kanakas on the dock setting up the weird, plaintive death wail.—Washington Star.

Kentucky's Queer Names.

Speaking of queer names, the Danville Advocate recalls that a Madison county school has been taught in succession by a Sparrow, Duck and Crow. The Cynthiana Democrat says that at Washington and Lee university the close of a session found but two graduates who received the A. B. degree. One was Bugg and the other Bair. The Richmond Register says in that city a Hogg and a Pigg were taught by a Cobb, and the Sharpsburg World rises to remark: "This village contains two hotels. One is the Wood House and the other is the Ware House."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Another View of It.

The new woman looked through her husband's pocket and found the birthday present he had intended to give her, but had forgotten.

"The eternal masculine!" she exclaimed pityingly.—Chicago Tribune.

Wanted Her.

"An old couple from the east," says the Detroit Free Press, "are visiting their son in this city. If the mother gets out of sight of the father he is constantly asking for her and is not content till they are together again. The other evening she went to another part of the house while he was in the parlor, and after he had asked for her a half dozen times the son said, rather curtly:

"'It seems as though you couldn't be without mother five minutes at a time.'

"'You're right,' said the old gentleman slowly. 'That's the reason I married her.'"

Heavy Undertaking.

Mr. Esplanade—The director of the next census will have a difficult piece of work to perform.

Mr. Monterey—True. There will be more of us than ever to count.

Mr. Esplanade—I wasn't thinking of that, but he will have to tell Uncle Sam how many islands he owns.—Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

Talleyrand's Reply.

Napoleon once said to Talleyrand, "I wish I had the keys of hell, for I could then put you in there." The reply was, "It would be better, sire, that I should have them, for then I could let you out."

Sincere is from two Latin words meaning without wax, and was used in reference to furniture that had no defects filled up with wax.

Pendulum clocks were invented after Galilei stood observing the lamp in a church swinging to and fro.

THE SURPRISE PENHOLDER.

Something a Man Ought to Be Able to Keep on His Desk.

There is a very clever trick pen. Let us suppose that a gentleman is seated at his desk and is busily writing when a neighbor comes in, and he jokingly challenges the latter to try to forge his signature. He hands the pen to his friend, who attempts to write. Immediately there is an explosion and the paper receives a big ink blot. The writer is apt to be surprised by the report, which is like a pistol shot, and, if a timid person, is apt to be frightened. The noise comes from the pen itself, as it is so constructed that it can be loaded and shot off at will. The person in the secret can handle the pen with safety, but the poor unfortunate will experience a rather unexpected shock to his nerves when he attempts to write with it.

The upper part of the penholder into which an ordinary writing pen is thrust works on a pivot about half way down its length. This separate part is provided with only half a bottom, in order that it may engage the conical head of a piston rod which ends in a plunger, which sets off the cap secured in the bottom of the penholder. The normal position of the plunger is against the cap of the holder, but it can be raised by means of a projecting pin riveted to the rod and passing through a slot cut in the side of the lower part of the holder. Now, the closed half of the bottom of the pivoted end enters a notch caused by the conical head of the plunger, and the plunger with its spring is cocked, as it were, by means of the projecting pin and is held in place by the bottom of the pivoted section. When the pen is pressed to the paper, the pivoted section swings on the pivot, releasing the plunger, which is forced down on the explosive cap by the spring.—Scientific American.

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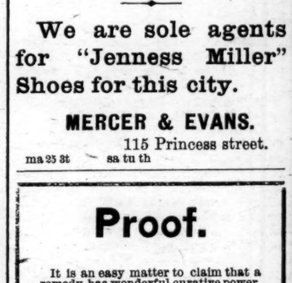

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We have just received quite a large stock of Fancy Goods, Ornaments, Belt Buckles, Pins, Buttons and Watches. Quite a lot of nice New Jewelry at bottom prices.

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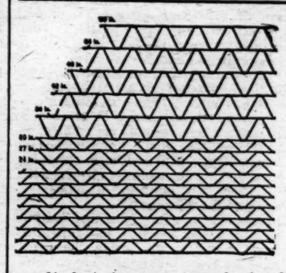

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 3:36 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:55 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:19 P. M., Charlotte 10:35 P. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 6:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A.M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M. Sanford 9:53 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:00 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 10.05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:39 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:52 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 9:50 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 9:00 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 10:20 A. M., Shelby 11:37 A. M., Shelby 11.37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:00 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:30 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:40 P. M., Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:15 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 409—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 3:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M. Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 28 p m
3 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 35 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 19 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 64.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 65.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Haxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 36 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46		No. 47.
South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

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DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.39 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.38 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M. Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.33 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M

DAILY except Sunday 3.45 P. M. — No. 56—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.35 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 12.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M. Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.05 P. M., New York †9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 3.30 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 5.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M.; †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.21 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 1.25 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

Sunday 12.15 P. M. — Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.09 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M. 12.01 P. M. Smithfield 3.08 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.35 P. M. Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.06 P. M., 11.30 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.39 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 9.15 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 8.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.25 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.30 P. M., arrive 4.10 P. M Daily except Sunday.

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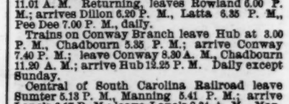

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3 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 35	Kinston.....	10 13	.....
5 35	5 45	Newbern.....	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 03	Morehead City.	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Absence of Noise Lends Efficiency to the Service.

In an address delivered before the American Medical association, Passed Assistant Surgeon J. A. Guthrie of the United States navy made some very interesting remarks on the subject of "Noise and Nerves," speaking of the great value of silence on board the modern man-of-war. He said:

"In certain landlocked harbors I have heard the inhabitants complaining of tugs and other noisy boats blowing off their whistles, especially those known as calliopes. The would be waggishness or to what purpose, desire of these tug captains deserves a compensation suited to the perpetrator. Have not the cartoonists discovered the tired and irritated visitor from the provinces, racking his brains in the uproarious city, unable to collect his faculties, and has the father, night shirted and capped, marching the colicky infant in the small hours of the night, escaped this artist's humorous vein?

"All these things call to light the necessity for a scientific investigation of useless noise. In a few cities it has been proposed passing an ordinance against the ringing of church bells—this may to some disturb the "day of rest"—but why not include in this an ordinance for weekdays, the shouting of street hawkers, the clanking of other varieties of bells, the steam whistle of the factory? How much better is the silent signal, both in war and in peace. Take the popular football game, and we find that the teams under better control are those who have mastered the silent signals of command.

"One reason the modern war vessel is so deadly may be said to be because it is absolutely as accurate as a floating battery can be. And is not the cause of this accuracy due in great measure to the silent commands sent from the conning tower by the captain to each of his subordinates, shut off from him and each other by walls of steel? When an order is indicated upon a dial manipulated by electric transmission one receives the same in a tranquil state of mind, but if the order is shouted at him by one, two, three or more in rapid succession (as of yore), then there is excuse for confusion."—New York Telegram.

His Definition.

"What are 'the powers of Europe' that the Americans allude to so frequently whenever there is any rumor of war?" inquired the favorite of the harem.

"Those, my dear," answered the sultan lazily, after pausing to drink a cup of coffee and light another cigarette, "are merely conversational powers."—Washington Star.

It is stated that the most crowded spot on the earth's surface is the "Mandergalia," in the city of Valetta, in Milan. Upon a spot in this place about 2½ acres in extent no fewer than 2,574 live. This is at the rate of 636,000 a square mile, or 1,017 to an acre.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 30.

SITUATION IN PHILIPPINES.

Discussed by the President and His Advisers—Satisfaction Expressed at Progress Made.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The President to-day discussed with his advisers and callers the situation in the Philippines.

Assistant Secretary of War Meiklejohn and Adjutant General Corbin, who have kept close track of the progress of the American army and the condition of the troops, were with him for some time. With them he went over the situation and expressed his pleasure at the good progress General Otis and his generals had made, though he regretted the loss of life.

The dispatch of General Otis received early this morning was not supplemented by any later news.

The opinion is given at the War Department that General Otis had ample force under his command, and that when the regulars now on their way to Manila reached their destination there would be little need of retaining the volunteers in service there. No demand for muster out will hold good until the formal ratification of the peace treaty occurs, and when this will be done is not known. The French ambassador, who is acting for Spain, has no information on the subject, and oeds not know when the treaty will be received here.

Favorable Reports from Cuba.

Secretary Alger has reported a favorable condition of affairs in Cuba and has expressed the opinion that more troops than are now in the island will not be needed. After the volunteers are sent home, there will be fourteen regiments with a total of 18,000 men in Cuba, making two regiments of regulars to each province.

There was some discussion in official circles regarding the proclamation which the Philippine commission may issue. This action, it is said, is entirely discretionary with the commission. It may issue its proclamation after General Otis reaches Malolos, or it may delay it until the time seems most opportune. If, as reported in some quarters, the Filipinos abandon Malolos as a capital and go further north, it is possible that the proclamation may be withheld. It is intended that the proclamation shall declare the purpose of the government of the United States in the island of Luzon, and it may seem desirable to establish fully the authority of the United States over the island before any such step is taken.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE

The Bribery Investigation Committee's Inquiry Into Charges in Connection With the Senatorship.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HARRISBURG, PA., March 29.—The Bribery Investigating Committee today resumed its inquiry into the charges of alleged bribery in connection with the United States Senatorship and the consideration of the McCarrell jury bill in the House. Representative O'Brien, of Schuykill, testified that immediately after the House adjourned to prevent a reconsideration of the McCarrell bill, he was told by Representative Criste, of Northumberland, that there was lots of money in the House that day and that there was $1,000 for some one. This is the day on which Mr. Criste is alleged to have refused an offer of $1,000 to move to reconsider the bill.

Representative Norton (anti-Quay Republican) of Wayne county, testified on the morning of February 26th he was asked by Robert Evans, of Philadelphia, how much it would cost Norton to put up a fight in his county if he voted for the McCarrell bill. He said that there was $1,000 in it if he would vote for the bill and offered to go with him immediately and get the money. Norton says he refused the offe.r. Norton said Representative Engler, (Democrat), told him that Michael J. Costello, of Philadelphia, called at his home, and offered him $500 to support the McCarrell bill. This is in line with Engler's testimony given when the committee first organized.

Representative Hargrave (anti-Quay Republican) stated that he understood he might have been appointed on the appropriations committee if he would have voted for Quay. He said a certain official suggested this to him before he came to Harrisburg to take his seat; but no direct offer was made.

Mr. Youngson, of Westmoreland, testified that Editor Berry, of the Latrobe *Clipper*, and a man named Covode, called at his boarding house one night after 12 o'clock and said to the witness that he (Youngson) was a poor man, with a wife and children, and that it "would be worth his while" to go to the Commonwealth hotel. Mr. Youngson told the visitors that if they did not leave he would summon the police. The witness said no direct offer was made to him by his visitors, and he thought that they were in Harrisburg in the interest of the candidacy of Col. Geo. F. Huff, of Greensburg, for United States Senator.

State Treasurer Beacom, who is assisting in the management of Senator Quay's campaign for re-election to the U. S. Senate, said to-day that the Senator was coming north from Florida to personally direct his campaign.

Mr. Beacom says it is Quay's purpose to stand as a candidate for delegate to the next State Republican convention from Beaver county, and to lead his forces on the floor of the convention.

The 61st ballot for U. S. Senator today resulted: Quay, 94; Jenks, Democrat, 75; Dalzell, Republican, 55. Total vote, 220. No election.

FAIR-VANDERBILT.

Wedding Present to the Groom Valued at Ten Million Dollars.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 29.—The *Evening World* says:

"William K. Vanderbilt has duplicated his wedding present to his daughter Consuelo, Duchess of Marlboro, for his son, William K. Vanderbilt, Jr. Securities amounting in value to $10,000,000 have been turned over to the young man by his father."

Miss Virginia Fair, the bride to be, is said to have $5,000,000 in her own right.

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Samoan Villages Destroyed by American and British Warships.

MANY NATIVES WERE KILLED

King Mataafa Refused Demand of American and British Representatives. Upheld by German Consul—Began Attack—Sailors Killed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

APIA, SAMOA, March 23, (via Aukland, N. Z., March 29.)—The troubles growing out of the election of a King of Samoa have taken a more serious turn and resulted in a bombardment of native villages along the shore by the United States cruiser Philadelphia, Admiral Kauntz commanding, and the British cruisers Porpoise and Royalist. The bombardment has continued intermittently for eight days. Several villages have been burned, and there have been a number of casualties among the American and British sailors and marines. As yet it is impossible to ascertain the number of natives killed or injured.

As Mataafa and his chiefs, constituting the provincial government, continued to defy the treaty, after the arrival of the Philadelphia, Admiral Kauntz summoned the various consuls and senior naval officers to a conference on board the Philadelphia, when the whole situation was carefully canvassed. The upshot was a resolution to dismiss the provincial government and Admiral Kauntz issued a proclamation calling upon Mataafa and his chief to return to their homes. Mataafa evacuated Mulinum, the town he had made his headquarters, and went into the interior.

German Consul Upholds Mataafa.

Herr Rose, the German consul at Apia, issued a proclamation supplementing the one he had issued several weeks before, upholding the provincial government. As a result of this the Mataafans asembled in large force and hemmed in the town.

The British cruiser Royalist brought the Malitoa prisoners from the islands to which they had been transferred by the provincial government.

The Americans then fortified Mulinum, where 22,000 Malietoans took refuge. The rebels—the adherents of Mataafa—barricaded the roads within the municipality and seized the British houses.

An ultimatum was then sent to them, ordering them to evacuate, and threatening them in the event of refusal with a bombardment to commence at 1 o'clock on the afternoon of March 15. This was ignored and the

Rebels Commenced an Attack

in the direction of the United States and British consulates about half an hour before the time fixed for the bombardment. The Philadelphia, Porpoise and Royalist opened fire upon the distant villages. There was great difficulty in locating the enemy, owing to the dense forest; but several shore villages were soon in flames.

A defective shell from the Philadelphia exploded near the American consulate, and the marines outside narrowly escaped. A fragment struck the leg of private Rudge, shattering it so badly as to necessitate amputation. Another fragment traversed the German consulate, smashing the crockery. The Germans then went on board the German cruiser Falke.

British Sailors Killed.

During the night the rebels made a hot attack on the town, killing three British sailors. A British marine was shot in the leg by a sentry of his own party, another was shot in the foot and an American sentry was killed at his post.

The bombardment continuing, the inhabitants of the town took refuge on board the Royalist, greatly crowding the vessel. Many people are leaving Samoa, the captain of the Royalist urging them to go, so as not to interfere with the military operations.

The Porpoise has shelled the villages east and west of Apia and captured many boats.

The Americans and British are fighting splendidly together, but there is a bitter feeling against the Germans.

Two men, a British and a German subject, have been arrested as spies. The bombardment of the jungle was for a time very hot.

LONDON, March 29.—The Foreign Office authorizes the statement that the discussions going on between Great Britain, the United States and Germany with regard to Samoa are proceeding in a friendly and satisfactory manner.

BERLIN, March 29.—The *Hamburgische Correspondence*, dealing with the question of installing Dr. Self, who will succeed Dr. Joannes Raeffel as president of the municipality of Apia, in the absence of a generally recognized Samoan government, says:

The three powers have arranged that the German, British and American consuls are to install the new president of the municipality.

Grave Concern in Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The news from Samoa that the U. S. cruiser Philadelphia and the British cruisers Porpoise and Royalist had bombarded towns held by Mataafa, who has thus far had the official support of the German government, came with startling suddenness to officials here, and displaced for the time being the attention given to the fighting around Manila. The shelling of Mataafa was looked upon as of secondary importance, but the deepest interest attached to the attitude of the German government. At first apprehensions were felt that grave international complications might ensue. But those most intimately familiar with the latest official exchanges between Washington, London and Berlin did not take such a gloomy view of the outlook. While recognizing that the bloodshed at Samoa created a very serious and delicate situation, yet it was said to be a situation which had been clearly apprehended and had been discussed in advance between the representatives of the three governments. The real crisis, from an international standpoint, occurred last week, when this apprehended outbreak was discussed. Although relations were greatly strained, it was possible to secure an understanding which is said to make sure that the outbreak now reported

Will Not Cause a Rupture

in the relations between the United States and Germany or between Great Britain and Germany. The details of the bombardment, as conveyed in the Associated Press dispatches were read with eager interest by leading government and diplomatic officers who have been most directly concerned in handling the Samoan question. There was nothing of an official character, however, either at the State or Navy Departments or at the British or at the German embassies to augment the very full press reports. Upon this officials based their views.

In all quarters there were expressions of concern and surprise at the seriousness and extent of the bombardment, and the resulting loss of life. That some overt act would take place has been apprehended for many days, but there was little idea that it would take such a bread sweep and lead to such heavy loss of life. In this aspect of the case, the actual results were regarded as far more serious than those which had been expected and provided for, during the recent diplomatic exchanges between the three governments. Moreover, new

Elements of International Danger

had unexpectedly arisen. These included the proclamation of the German consul, Rose, which, it is believed, tended to incite the Mataafa party to an open revolt; also, the wounding and killing of British sailors and marines, the shooting of an American sentry and the attacks on several consulates. These all involve unknown possibilities of serious complication. While they had been guarded against as far as possible by the recent anticipatory exchanges, yet it was felt that the German press and national sentiment might be wrought to a high pitch by the events which had occurred, and this outburst of popular feeling might overcome the strong efforts of officials to keep the subject within pacific bounds.

The Situation.

In an authoritative quarter the attitude of the British and American officials was stated substantially as follows:

"It was mutally understood between the two governments that the first essential in Samoa was to maintain peace and order. For that reason it was determined that any lawlessness on the part of Mataafa or any other Samoan element, which threatened the lives or property of residents, would be suppressed even though force was required. This was entirely without reference to the rights of the three governments — Great Britain, the United States and Germany—and was merely a rule of self preservation and police security.

Acting on this understanding Captain Sturdee of the Porpoise gave notice some time ago that he would bombard the Mataafans if there was any outbreak or disorder. This insured quiet for a time, but he has always been ready to use force if it was necessary. It was not proposed to give Samoa over to a reign of anarchy simply because the German consular official at Samoa differed with the British and American officials.

To Protect Life and Property.

Outside of these differences, it was proposed to protect life and property at all hazards. When Admiral Kautz (not Kauntz) went to Samoa, he also had as his first duty to protect life and property and to maintain order. It is evident that the bloodshed has arisen out of this united effort of American and British commanders to protect the law-abiding and peaceful elements against the disorderly and rebellious subjects of Mataafa. This is evidenced by Mataafa's action in hemming in the town where the Americans and British officials reside; also in the attacks on the consulate, and in the general lawlessness which has prevailed since Mataafa began his reign. In short, according to the view of those best acquainted with the subject, the British and American case will rest upon the paramount necessity of preserving peace and order.

The German View,

it can be stated on very eminent authority, is not likely to raise a direct issue on the posttion thus laid down by the British and American officials. On the contrary, there is said to be a disposition on the part of Germany to hold Herr Rose accountable for the difficulties into which he has directed his government. For a time he was sustained, with the natural desire to protect him in the proper discharge of his duties, but the German authorities have not contemplated that he would carry the matter to an open rupture and result in bloodshed. On that account there is good reason to believe that the German government will not sustain Herr Rose, and that official information in that direction has already been conveyed.

Sharp Diplomatic Exchanges.

The diplomatic exchanges leading up to this crisis have been very sharp within the last few days. Early last week the Berlin government received direct information from Samoa that Admiral Kautz had arrived there and had summoned a meeting of all the officials for March 11. The German authorities felt su.e this meeting would result in serious trouble. The German Foreign Office therefore instructed the German ambassador here, Dr. Von Holleben, to present a note embodying Germany's views. It argued that a naval commander had no right to act save in executing the will of the three consuls, acting unanimously, and not through a majority. But aside from this argument, the German note intimated quite plainly that Germany would hold the other governments responsible if serious trouble resulted from the action of the naval authorities in Samoa. The strained conditions caused by this note were somewhat allayed by the answer of the State Department, which was friendly and reassuring, although it made plain that the American naval commander would act in an emergency, even though the consuls were not unanimous in requesting action. It is just such an emergency that has now occurred in Samoa.

There is no apprehension here that an actual clash will occur with the German civil or naval forces in Samoa. This is due mainly to the official understanding that Germany has given positive orders to the commander of the German warship Falke to refrain from any active move.

RAILWAY EXTENSION.

An Alliance of Tennessee Roads in Opposition to the Southern Railway.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., March 29.—The reports from Atlanta that the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern railroad may extend its road from Marietta into Atlanta may be supplemented by the statement that a northern and eastern outlet for this road is about to be opened up in this city. The survey for the completion of the Knoxville and Bristol railroad is now being made. The Bristol extension they hope to complete within a year, and then the connecting link between the Norfolk and Western at Bristol, and the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern in this city will be formed.

It is stated by the Knoxville and Bristol officials that they will form an alliance with these roads and operate in opposition to the Southern railway, which now controls this territory. It is believed here that these roads are backing the Knoxville and Bristol enterprises.

Although all other grain markets in the country will close on Friday, the New York Produce Exchange is scheduled to reopen, presumably to accommodate the alleged March "deal" which has been running along in that market for some time.

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A HARD FIGHT IS EXPECTED.

General MacArthur's Troops Are Pressing On to Attack Malolos.

ARE DRIVING THE FILIPINOS.

The Country a Picture of Desolation—Villages in Flames—Fierce Fighting in Jungles—American Loss Slight. Troops in Fine Spirits.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 29, Noon.—The American army advanced at 6 o'clock this morning, sweeping three miles before 10 o'clock and driving the rebels beyond Bocave, to the east of Bulacan and on the railroad leading to Malolos. Our troops met with but little resistance.

The Filipinos fired volleys yesterday evening, for the purpose of drawing the American fire and disclosing the locality of our positions. Two men of the Pennsylvania regiment and one man belonging to the Dakota regiment were wounded. The Americans remained siletn.

The country between Marilao and Manila presents a picture of desolation. Smoke is curling from hundreds of ash heaps and the remains of trees and fences torn by shrapnel are to be seen elsewhere. The general appearance of the country is as it had been swept by a cyclone. The roads are strewn with furniture and clothing dropped in flight by the Filipinos.

The only persons remaining behind are a few aged persons too infirm to escape. They camp beside the ruins of their former homes and beg passers-by for any kind of assistance. The majority of them are living on the generosity of our soldiers, who give them portions of their rations.

Filipinos' Hurried Flight.

Bodies of dead Filipinos are stranded in the shallows of the river or are resting in the jungle where they crawled to die or were left in the wake of the hurriedly retreating army. There is no time at present to bury them.

The inhabitants who fled from Marilao and Meycauayan left in such a panic that on tables our soldiers found spread money and valuables and in the rooms were trunks containing other property of value. This was the case in most of the houses deserted. They were not molested by our soldiers, but the Chinese who slip in between the armies are looting when they can and have taken possession of several houses, over which they raised Chinese flags, some of which were torn down.

Fierce Fighting in the Jungle.

MANILA, March 29, 7.35 A. M.—At daylight General MacArthur's division advanced from Marilao along the railroad to Bigaa, five miles distant, with the Nebraska, South Dakota and Pennsylvania regiments on the right and the Kansas and Montana regiments and the Third artillery on the left. General Wheaton's brigade is in reserve.

The American forces met with strong opposition in the jungle. First one Nebraskan, then one Pennsylvanian, and afterward two of the Montana regiments were killed. Thirty-five were wounded, including one officer of the Kansas regiment.

The rebels burned the villages as they retreated in bad order toward Malolos. The enemy also tore up sections of the railroad in many places, and attempted to burn the bridge at Bigaa, but the fire was extinguished owing to the timely arrival of the Americans. The rebels had not finished their trenches along the line of to-day's march, showing they were not prepared for our advance. It is believed, however, that there will be a hard fight before Malolos is taken.

The Minnesota regiment reinforced the division to-day, marching from the water works during the night to Manila and going to the front by train.

Gen. Otis' Report.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The following report was received at the War Department to day from General Otis:

"*Manila, March 25.*—MacArthur's advance yesterday was only to the outskirts of Marilao; it took until late in the afternoon to repair the road and railroad bridges and send cars through with supplies. He commenced the march at six this morning; marching rapidly on Bocave, and will continue to Bigaa, seven miles from Malolos. Enemy have destroyed the railway and telegraph lines; a construction train is following our forces. Enemy's resistance not so vigorous today. Our loss thus far slight. Towns in front of our advance are being destroyed by fire. Troops in excellent spirits."

Latest From Manila.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The following advices from Gen. Otis, at Manila, were received by the War Department to-night:

"MacArthur advanced at six yesterday (Wednesday) morning from Marilao; passed rapidly to Bocave. At eleven forty-five took up advance for Bigaa, and at three fifteen in afternoon for Guiguinto, three and one-half miles from Malolos, reaching that point at five. Casualties for the day about seventy. Fierce fighting in the afternoon. Troops made crossing of river at Guiguinto by working artillery over railroad bridge by hand and swimming mules against fierce resistance. Column will pass on railroad to extreme front, nearly repaired, and will resupply troops to day.

FIRE IN MOBILE.

Business Block Burned—The Loss Over $90,000—Well Insured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MOBILE, ALA., March 29.—The three-story building, corner of Conception and Dauphin streets, occupied by the dry goods establishment of C. J. Gayfer & Company, and the Fidelity Club, was burned to-day, caused by a gas heater. Loss on building $20,000; insurance $12.000. Gayfer & Company's loss, $70,000, covered by insurance. Junger & Gass' music store, loss $2,000. Simon Shoe Company's stock was injured by water. The Art League, above Simon's store, lost some valuable pictures.

AUXILIARY CRUISER WASP.

Manned by Florida Reserves Left Charleston for Fernandina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 29.—The auxiliary cruiser Wasp, officered and manned by the Jacksonville division of Florida Naval Reserves, went to sea from here this afternoon under sealed orders from the Governor of Florida. It is thought that the Wasp is bound for Fernandina, as she steered south after reaching the lightship.

The cruiser was the first ship of her class that has ever entered this port flying a State flag.

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED AT CABINET MEETING.

Affairs in Cuba—The Civil Service—The Nicaragua Canal Commission—The Philippines.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—At the cabinet meeting to-day, which lasted until 1 o'clock, a variety of subjects were discussed, including a number of questions which have arisen during the two weeks of the President's absence in the South.

The administration of affairs in Cuba came up and it was practically decided to simplify matters by consolidating some of the administrative departments, but just what changes will be made is, as yet, undetermined. The question of amending the civil rules and regulations in certain lines of particulars was under consideration, and the President stated that he desired to dispose of the matter at an early day. Almost the last thing the President did before leaving for the South was to return to the members of the cabinet their several recommendations on the subject with a request that they go over them again with a view to making any changes which suggests themselves during his absence. To-day the President asked that he be furnished with their conclusions in the matter as soon as possible, and it is expected that it is his purpose to issue his order within a few days.

It was again demonstrated at to-day's meeting of the cabinet that while strongly upholding the principles of the civil service law, there is a disposition on the part of several members to criticise its present administration.

The subject of the appointment of commissioners to represent the United States at the forthcoming convention called by the Czar of Russia with a view to promoting peace among the nations was advanced by the President. It is understood that three ambassadors of the United States at European ports will be named, together with two or three citizens of the United States not in the diplomatic service. The personnel of the commission has not yet been definitely decided.

The new Nicaragua Canal Commission which was provided for in the last River and Harbor bill was also discussed, and it is not likely that the members will be named very soon.

The question of raising an additional force of volunteers to go to the Philippines was not mentioned at the meeting, and it is not thought that the President has any such purpose in view at this time.

Some attention was paid to the campaign of the troops in the Philippines and the administration is confident of the capture of Malolos, the insurgent capital, in a few days.

The arrival here of delegates from the Cuban Assembly was touched upon and the discussion brought out a reiteration of the conclusion to pay no attention to their demands. It is felt that the Assembly delegates represent a disturbing element and that under no circumstances would they be formally accepted by this government.

OVER FIFTY LIVES LOST.

Boiler Explosion On a Mississippi River Steamboat — There Were Only Two Persons Saved.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—A special to the *Republic* from New Madrid, Mo., says: The steamer Rowena Lee with about thirty-one passengers aboard besides her crew, exploded her boiler opposite Tyler, Mo., about 4 o'clock this afternoon and immediately sank with all on board except Captain George Carvell and one of the crew.

The steamer left Cairo with sixteen passengers aboard, bound for Memphis. At Caruthersville, Mo., she landed and took aboard fifteen more passengers. It is estimated that with passengers and crew she then had aboard about fifty people.

She made the next landing at Tyler, Mo., and at 4 o'clock this afternoon backed into mid-stream from Tyler to proceed on her journey. The steamer had just reached the middle of the river, when she suddenly stopped and lurched as if a snag had been struck. The next moment the boat parted in the middle, a volume of steam and debris arose and the detonation of an explosion thundered over the water. The river is running very high and the steamer immediately sank with all on board, except the captain and one of the crew, who clung to wreckage and were saved by boats.

MEMPHIS, TENN., March 29.—The steamer Rowena Lee was owned by the Lee Line of Memphis, and was one of the best passenger steamers in the Mississippi river trade. She plied between Memphis and Cairo.

From local river men it was ascertained that the Rowena Lee carried a cabin crew of about fifteen and a deck crew numbering about thirty. Taking these figures and a fair number of passengers taken on at Cairo and other points, it can be easily reasoned that at least sixty people were on board the boat when the disaster occurred.

JOHN C. SHEEHAN.

The Tammany Chieftain Says Bryan is Stronger Than Ever.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—John C. Sheehan, the New York Tammany chief, arrived here to-day from Hot Springs, Ark., and is stopping at the Planters' Hotel. In the course of an interview Mr. Sheehan said:

"In my opinion Bryan is much stronger than ever in the West and South, and those portions of the country practically dominate the Democratic party. Indications point to a Democratic victory, for, despite the successful conduct of the war by the present administration the present policy of imperialism is each day making new enemies for the Republican party."

TO FIGHT MAY 26TH.

James Jeffries and Fitzsimmons to Meet in a Twenty-Round Bout.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Managers Brady and Julian, acting for James Jeffries and Robert Fitzsimmons, today signed articles of agreement for a fight before the Coney Island Sporting Club. The articles call for a 25-round bout, Marquis of Queensberry rules, to take place between 12 o'clock noon and 2 P. M., on May 26th. Geo. Silver will act as referee and five-ounce gloves are to be used. The fight will be for $20,000, with sixty-six and two-thirds per cent. of the revenue derived from the pictures to be paid to the men. Fitzsimmons, Jeffries and the club posted $2,500 to bind the agreement.

P. A. B. Widener, A. M. Brady and Thomas S. Ryan are elected directors of the American Tobacco Company.

WARM WIRELETS.

The cruiser Chicago, which brought ex Secretary Sherman to Old Point, left Hampton Roads yesterday for Tompkinsville, to join the Raleigh.

Brigadier General D. W. Flagler is dead, after many weeks of suffering from rheumatism, which recently developed acute and distressing phases.

At Durham, N. C., yesterday, Trinity College and La Fayette College played an exciting game of ball, Trinity winning by a score of nine to ten.

Gen. Wesley Merritt, who has been resting at Old Point, left for New York last night. He will make an unofficial visit of inspection to the fortifications there.

Robert Lynch and Robert Fince, citizens of Brandon, Tex., on the Cotton Belt railroad, were shot and killed at Dallas, while trying to "run the town."

Ex-Senator George Gray, of Delaware, has been appointed United States Circuit Judge for the Third district. Senator Gray's term expired at the close of the last Congress.

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